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SUBJ: AMBASSADOR KIM'S CALL ON SECRETARY

1. AMBASSADOR KIM DONG JO HAD BRIEF MEETING WITH SECRETARY MORNING JUNE 28 WHICH HE HAD REQUESTED UNDER INSTRUCTION TO DELIVER OFFICIALLY COPY OF PRESIDENT PARK'S " SPECIAL STATEMENT REGARDING FOREIGN POLICY FOR PEACE AND UNIFICATION". UNDER SECRETARY PORTER SAT IN.

2. KIM OPENED WITH EXPRESSION OF ROK APPRECIATION FOR U. S. SUPPORT OF PARK'S PROPOSALS AND HOPE THAT U. S. WOULD CONTINUE TO PROVIDE " POSITIVE SUPPORT" TO ROK IN HER DEALINGS WITH THE NORTH. POINTING TO PARK STATEMENT AS JUSTIFICATION, KIM REQUESTED THAT DURING BHUTTO VISIT IN JULY U. S. ATTEMPT TO PERSUADE HIM TO AGREE TO ELEVATING ROK REPRESENTATION IN PAKISTAN TO DIPLOMATIC LEVEL ON SAME FOOTING WITH NORTH KOREA.

3. IN RESPONSE SECRETARY REFERRED FIRST TO PARK'S PROPOSAL WHICH HE WELCOMED AS A CONSTRUCTIVE INITIATIVE.  
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HE EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF CONTINUED CLOSE CONSULTATION AND OUR NEED TO "GET OUR DUCKS IN A ROW" FOR DEBATE IN UNGA. IN THAT CONNECTION SECRETARY URGED THAT ROK ALSO CONTINUE TO CONSULT SIMILARLY WITH JAPANESE, AUSTRALIANS AND BRITISH.

4. REGARDING ROK REPRESENTATION IN PAKISTAN, SECRETARY STATED WE WILL BE PREPARED TO RAISE ROK REQUEST APPROPRIATELY WITH BHUTTO IN JULY. IF IT NOT POSSIBLE TO DO THIS AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL SECRETARY ASSURED KIM ISSUE WOULD BE TAKEN UP IN MEETINGS BETWEEN DEPARTMENT AND PAKISTAN FOREIGN MINISTRW PEOPLE AT TIME OF VISIT. DEPUTY SECRETARY PORTER COMMENTED THAT PARK'S STATEMENT PROVIDED GOOD BASIS FOR REPRESENTATION TO PAKISTAN.

5. IN LIMITED EXCHANGE OF REMARKS CONCERNING NORTH KOREAN REACTION, KIM DONG JO EMPHASIZED THAT PARK'S STATEMENT MARKED FIRST TIME ROK HAD RECOGNIZED NORTH KOREA AS DE FACTO GOVERNMENT. IN DEMONSTRATING SIGNIFICANCE ROK ATTACHES TO NEW OPEN POLICY ON RECOGNITION AND DESIRE TO BE TREATED EVENHANDEDLY, KIM DONG JO REVEALED THAT HE HAD SENT STATEMENT TO ALL MISSIONS IN WASHINGTON INCLUDING EASTERN EUROPEANS, SOVIETS AND PRC LIAISON OFFICE.

6. AS FINAL ITEM, KIM REITERATED INVITATION TO SECRETARY TO VISIT KOREA. KOREA WAS AT A CRITICAL JUNCTURE AND PRESIDENT PARK AND COUNTRY COULD BENEFIT FROM THE SECRETARY'S ADVICE AS TO FUTURE STEPS. SECRETARY REPLIED THAT HE WAS GIVING INVITATION FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION AND HOPED TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE DEFINITE ANSWER SHORTLY. HE WOULD BE LEAVING ON JULY 1 FOR HELSINKI CONFERENCE AND DEPENDING ON ITS LENGTH THERE WAS POSSIBILITY HE COULD ARRANGE HIS ITINERARY TO VISIT SEOUL BEFORE PROCEEDING TO TOKYO ECONOMIC MINISTERS CONFERENCE ON JULY 16 AND 17. ROGERS

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